

# DTSC Autobody Program

## Autobody shop strategies to reduce waste and emissions:

- Minimizing Paint Waste
- Paint Gun Cleaning
- Solvent Recycling
- Waterborne Coatings
- Sanding Waste Management
- Hazardous Waste Guidance
- Wastewater Management

# Pollution Prevention

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## California Autobody Association (CAA)

As a result of Senate Bill 1916, the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has established a program to promote the use of pollution prevention methods in the autobody and paint industry in California. The program focuses on typical activities in the autobody and paint shop, and introduces alternative methods that will reduce the amount of hazardous wastes generated, reduce operating costs, and increase shop operators' ability to comply with environmental regulations.



The California Autobody Association (CAA) has partnered with DTSC to develop the first California statewide Autobody Pollution Prevention Program. Through developing this industry-wide training program, CAA has demonstrated its commitment to pollution prevention and environmental protection.

This voluntary program requires partnerships with a number of stakeholder groups including industry associations and labor groups, local governments, parts distributors, motorist and consumer groups, state agencies, and environmental and community groups.

Pollution prevention methods and best management practices reduce air emissions, wastewater discharges, and hazardous waste generation. By adopting these practices, businesses reduce operational costs and improve compliance with environmental regulations.